

RETURNS FROM THE POLLS.

How Elections Went in the Towns of Nebraska.

LARGELY AGAINST COLD WATER.

Some Places Grow Thirst of Local Prohibition and Others Refuse To Give It a Trial—Miscellaneous.

Improvements at Ogalalla.

OGALLALA, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—About 100,000 acres of land, at prices ranging from \$2 to \$10 per acre, terms one-half cash and remainder in ten annual payments, have been placed on sale. The land is well watered by spring creeks and contains some very fine agricultural lands, and is excellently located for stock growing purposes, lying north of the North Platte river and directly north of Ogalalla.

A corporation was organized here on the 27th ult. in conformity with the law passed by the legislature, for the purpose of raising water from its natural channel for the purposes of irrigation or water power. The design of the corporation is to run a canal from a point on the North Platte river at or near Camp Clarke across the tableland south of the river, with its terminus at this city, to supply the town of Ogalalla, Big Springs and Ogalalla with water power for fire protection and manufacturing purposes. Ogalalla boasts that she will have the finest system of waterworks and water power in the next year, west of Omaha. The corporation consists of the following parties: H. C. Williams, H. L. Smith, M. S. Smith, of Ogalalla, and E. M. Day and G. E. Thompson, of Big Springs.

Parties were sent out on the proposed line of the canal for the purpose of getting an estimate of the elevations and amount of excavation to be done. Work will be begun as soon as the necessary arrangements are made.

The board of trade is using every reasonable effort to get the Sioux City & Denver railroad to cross the city at Ogalalla, it being on a direct line from Broken Bow to Denver. At a meeting Thursday evening a committee was appointed to have a personal interview with the officials of that road.

O'Neill as a Second Class City. O'NEILL, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—More than ordinary interest was manifested in the city election owing to the fact that O'Neill was to elect its first mayor and other officers as a city of the second class.

The second class city vote was very close, resulting in the election of W. J. Canfield, mayor, and J. H. Smith, clerk. The vote was as follows: Mayor, W. J. Canfield, 13; J. H. Smith, 12; J. H. Smith, 11; J. H. Smith, 10; J. H. Smith, 9; J. H. Smith, 8; J. H. Smith, 7; J. H. Smith, 6; J. H. Smith, 5; J. H. Smith, 4; J. H. Smith, 3; J. H. Smith, 2; J. H. Smith, 1.

April Fool. On the 1st of April, 1890, the people were trying their practical jokes after the fashion of all Fool's day, Ord came in for her share. The victim was the popular editor, W. W. Haskell. It seems that Mr. Haskell had a yearning for the postoffice for some time, and when a bogus telegram was handed him purporting to be from Hon. George W. E. Dorsey, he promptly paid charges and for thirty minutes imagined himself postmaster. He was a "white boy" first, and a "joy forever" to see the surprise first, then the satisfaction that held of his beaming countenance. But when reminded that this was the 1st day of April, his face fell, and he faded from view; and when the laughing crowd began to guff him it was terrible to see the change on that once beaming face.

The Victims Jubilant. SUPERIOR, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election here today proved a very spirited contest. There were two tickets in the field, one known as the "people's ticket," headed by Mayor, J. S. Johnston, and the other known as the "Economy and Reform ticket," headed by Mayor, J. S. Johnston. The following officers were elected: Mayor, J. S. Johnston; clerk, C. W. Bishop; police judge, John Kelly; councilmen, First ward, G. Guthrie, Second ward, George Colton; Third ward, J. H. Johnston. The election was a very close one, and the result was a surprise to many.

Retrenchment at Plattsmouth. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., April 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election here today was a very close one, and the result was a surprise to many. The "Economy and Reform ticket" headed by Mayor, J. S. Johnston, was elected by a narrow margin.

McCook Redeemed. MCCOOK, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The election here today was a land slide and Hon. S. G. Green was elected mayor; J. E. Kelly, clerk; E. C. Barlow, city treasurer; C. H. Meeker, engineer; C. E. Boyd, member of the firm of Walsh & Boyd, wholesale liquor dealers, and J. L. Brown, chairman of the Board of Education.

Poisoned the Food. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The mental equilibrium of a daughter of Mr. Samuel McCook who lives south of town is slightly unbalanced and some of her erratic actions are attended with very unpleasant and dangerous results. That which appears to afford her the greatest pleasure is the delicate attention in the way of gastronomic appetizers. The last exploit of this culinary genius nearly resulted in the death of a brother and two ladies visiting the family. The ingredients of some pastry partaken of by these people contained poison which made the parties fatally sick and only by the timely assistance of a physician were they enabled to recover from the effects.

License Carries. TALMAGE, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A year ago Talmage went dry by an average majority of six. The license ticket to-night has an overwhelming majority. The vote stood "License" 73; "Prohibition" 72; "Damme" 73; "Ives" 74; "Huts" 68; "Sellers" 74.

Indorsed the Waterworks. WAHON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election just closed has been one of the hottest for years. The main issue was the question of the retention of the water works system now in operation, war upon which has been made by certain parties and the city council of last year. J. H. Dickinson was candidate for mayor of the champions of the water works, and J. H.

Gilkinson for the opposition. The result has been a magnificent indorsement of the water works system of the city. Mr. Dickinson, son for mayor by the handsome majority given every officer in this city.

About a Stand-Off. BENKRENN, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The election just closed was a fight between the saloonists and anti-saloonists. Each side elected two men for the town council, which will have to be determined by drawing straws. The following are the names of those elected: A. Guy and F. W. Dawson, anti-saloonists; Joseph Ribboud and Oscar Callahan, saloonists. J. H. King, anti and James Merring for saloons, were tied. The issue has been strictly wet or dry, and more interest has been manifested than in any other election ever held in Benkreenn.

Democrats Get a Slice. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election held today resulted in the victory for the democrats, the following councilmen being elected: First ward—Clara Brockevelt, D. M. Jones; Second ward, Charles Hempel; Third ward, Patrick McCallan; Fourth ward, J. D. Sampson, and Late O'Neill. The members of the school board elected were J. M. Patterson and J. J. Urah. The defeat of the republican ticket was accounted for by the splits also, and the councilman question was also an important factor in to-day's election.

Kleptomaniacs. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A warrant was issued last night for the arrest of Mrs. John Ohnmacht and two of her sisters, Anna and Lena Kneifels, charging them with kleptomania. A large amount of dry goods, shoes, dress patterns, etc., were found at their homes, which they acknowledged having taken from half a dozen different firms in the city. The family has always been highly respected and is considered wealthy. They gave bonds for trial to-morrow, and it is likely their confinement will be effected. Mrs. Ohnmacht is the mother of seven children.

The Young Men Win. GREELEY CENTER, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—To-day's election was the most animated ever held in this place. There were four tickets in the field, the workingmen's ticket, the people's ticket and the compromise. The last was composed of young men. The young fellows were on hand early and worked hard all day. Their ticket, to the surprise of all, was elected with the exception of the school board, which was elected by the old guard.

Burglars at Beatrice. BEATRICE, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Burglars were at work last night. The house of Milo Baker, on Sixth street, was entered, the key of the back door being turned with nippers. Here they secured a large gold watch and other jewelry worth \$250.

Men the Only Issue. RED CLOUD, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—To-day's election resulted in the election of the following ticket with majorities ranging from 25 to 100: Mayor, G. H. Holland; city treasurer, T. C. Hackler; clerk, L. H. Ford; councilmen, L. H. Wallace, D. K. Radd, Fred Lammell, school directors, C. P. Cother, J. A. Tulley, Holland, Hackler. Ford and Radd are the present incumbents of their respective offices. Party lines were not drawn, and the issue being one of men only.

Playing With Fire. ELKHORN, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Jerome Powell, a farmer who owns a place just south of town and adjoining the school house grounds, set a fire to-day to burn some rubbish on his place. The fire spread rapidly, and the school house was threatened. Prof. Matthews dismissed school, and with the aid of his scholars succeeded in quenching the blaze. Mr. Powell lost a stable and ten tons of hay. No insurance.

Quiet at Chadron. CHADRON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election passed off very quietly at this place. The following city officers were elected: Mayor, Herbert Briggs; clerk, C. W. Bishop; police judge, John Kelly; councilmen, First ward, G. Guthrie, Second ward, George Colton; Third ward, J. H. Johnston. The election was a very close one, and the result was a surprise to many.

The Defeated Demar. FLORENCE, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The citizens ticket is elected by large majorities. Henry Hall, mayor; J. E. Ward, jr., clerk; L. E. Haywood, police judge; Jacob Walder, treasurer; E. P. Walker, councilman Second ward; Stephen Brown, councilman First ward. The election was a very close one, and the result was a surprise to many.

Damages By Fire. HAIGLER, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A prairie fire has been raging north of town for the last twenty-four hours. Several settlers have been completely burned out, losing their houses, outbuildings, and farming implements and some stock. The wind has been so high that nothing could be done with the fire, but it is now thought to be under control.

For Public Improvements. ASHLAND, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election resulted in an average majority of ninety for the entire public improvement ticket. D. D. Vineyard was elected police judge, J. A. Ross, William Yastine, J. A. Gresh, A. Kent, councilmen; J. K. Lawson and J. M. Ferguson, members of the school board.

Sutton's Election. SUTTON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election here today was a very close one, and the result was a surprise to many. The "Economy and Reform ticket" headed by Mayor, J. S. Johnston, was elected by a narrow margin.

Murder Trial in Prospect. FAIRMONT, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—District court convened today for the trial of the case of the murder of John H. Baker, on Sixth street, was entered, the key of the back door being turned with nippers. Here they secured a large gold watch and other jewelry worth \$250.

The Antis Have a Chance. FAIRMONT, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—At the municipal election held here to-day Wallace Wheeler was elected mayor, Elmer E. Lesh clerk, E. G. Stiles treasurer and George Smiley and J. W. Dainage councilmen. The result of the election is supposed to be anti-license.

Firesmen to Compete. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Nebraska City fire department has decided to have an interstate firemen's tournament May 25. Liberal prizes will be offered and it is expected firemen from Omaha, Lincoln and other cities will compete. The tournament will be held at Plattsmouth, Red Oak, Shenandoah, Beatrice and Auburn will take place.

Tried of Prohibition. MILFORD, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—At the town election to-day the high license ticket won by nineteen majority. There was an earnest fight and the high license people had an exceptionally strong ticket. Milford has chosen off each year for five years, having been no-license the present year.

Mr. Brown Won. CALDEWELL, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The village election was very exciting. The fight was Brown and anti-Brown. The Brown ticket was elected by a large majority. Hitchcock election voted to bond the county to-day, and all reports show the bonds were carried.

The Regular Result. EXETER, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The village election was held to-day for the purpose of electing a town board. There were two tickets in the field, license and no license. One hundred and twenty-six votes were cast, the average majority for license being thirty-one.

District Court. AUBURN, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—District court convened here to-day, with Judge Appleget on the bench. There are forty-six civil and eighteen criminal cases on the docket. Among the cases is that of Skillman, charged with the murder of Williams in February last.

Mrs. Dr. King at Sutton. SUTTON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mrs. Dr. King, of Lincoln, Neb., is here doing diligent work in the cause of the "Economy and Reform ticket." She delivered a lecture in the opera house, which was packed to its full capacity. Monday night she spoke on prohibition.

Anti-License. CRAIG, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following anti-license board was elected here to-day: J. H. Monahan, G. C. Clark, D. S. Nye, and E. P. Irwin. There was some hard work done by both sides and three of the above got in on very small margins.

For High License. MINDEX, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The entire high license ticket was elected to-day, excepting one alderman and the city treasurer, Jensen receiving twenty majority over Kent for mayor. The balance of the ticket was elected by a small majority.

Stock Damaged. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A fire occurred in the New York Racket store this morning at 6 o'clock but was quickly extinguished. The damage was done to the building, but stock was damaged about \$1,000 by water. Fully insured.

For License. LOUISVILLE, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A license board was elected here to-day practically without opposition, having 68 majority. The members are John Osenkow, W. H. Shroyok, L. H. Livingston, Franz Petzger and Walter C. Fort.

Bad Day for Bonds. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—W. Platt was re-elected mayor; C. W. Briminger, clerk; John West, treasurer and Joseph Miller, police judge. Both the bonds for sewerage and city hall were probably defeated.

For High License. ATKINSON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Atkinson's village election to-day resulted in the election of the following trustees: Jacob Smith, Dan Taylor, J. H. Coburn, A. L. Morse and W. A. Westfall. The board is for high license.

A Bold Robbery. A bold and successful robbery was perpetrated early last evening at the home of Mrs. Elliott, 1506 Jackson street. Mrs. Elliott was alone in her home about 8 o'clock and was engaged in some work in her dining room for about an hour. Shortly before 9 o'clock she heard a noise in the front part of the house and went in her parlor just in time to see a man hurrying away from the front door. An investigation showed that the man had been visiting a hatched at his home a few days since that had four legs, four wings and a head like a mouse. He has preserved this wonderful chicken in alcohol.

Justice Matthews Will. WASHINGTON, Neb., April 2.—The will of the late Justice Matthews was filed for probate to-day. All the property is left to his wife and children.

THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1890.

A Nebraska City Fire.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The residence of Frank Launthorn, 13 Kearney addition, was destroyed by fire early this morning. The family had a narrow escape. Loss, \$1,800; insurance, \$1,200.

Bound to Save the Calf. GRANT, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The barn, live stock and grain of C. H. Parinut were consumed by a prairie fire to-day. Parinut's wife was severely burned while trying to rescue a calf.

It Struck Fairbury. FAIRBURY, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—An infantile hurricane and sand storm struck this city to-night. Besides a few rain and outbursts being blown down no damage was done.

A Quiet Election. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election passed off quietly, and a very small vote was polled. All the republican candidates were elected with the exception of two.

Enough of Prohibition. AINSWORTH, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—After a year of prohibition Ainsworth elected a license ticket to-day by eighteen majority. The fight was hotter than a national election.

Follows the Rule. FAIRBURY, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The city election took place to-day. It was temperance vs. high license, and at this time chances are greatly in favor of high license.

Postoffice Wanted. HARRISON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Citizens living some miles northwest of here are petitioning for a new postoffice to be named "Gilechrist" in honor of that member of the legislature.

The License Ticket Carried. HOLDREGE, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The election to-day says that W. P. Hall is elected mayor. The license ticket carried.

The Board For High License. JUNIATA, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The license ticket carried in this village by 4 majority. The election was very quiet, but nearly a full vote was polled.

Elected to Go Dry. UNADILLA, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The municipal election to-day developed little interest. A citizen's ticket was elected and the town will go dry another year.

High License Prevailed. TORIAN, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The entire high license ticket was elected here to-day, but by greatly reduced majorities compared with last year.

A Light Vote. GRATTON, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The court house bonds were defeated in this township by 42 votes. The village elected a license board.

Went Dry. AUBURN, Neb., April 2.—The city went "dry" to-day. The contest for the year will be to elect. For mayor A. N. Thomas had 938 votes and William Oliver 193.

Has Gone Dry. ULYSSES, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Ulysses, has gone dry by a vote of 98 to 54. Everything was quiet and a very light vote polled.

A New Board Elected. BRADSHAW, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The old board ticket was defeated, and the citizens' ticket elected by 3 majority.

Hay Springs in Line. HAY SPRINGS, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The village election passed very quietly. A license board was elected.

Enough Prohibition. OKADALE, Neb., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—License carried by 22 majority. This after two years of prohibition.

NIZER, THE MISEL. How a Rich Old German Imposed Upon His Neighbors. About six years ago Henry Nizer, a middle-aged German, lived near Columbus on a large and well-cultivated farm, which was well stocked and upon which he had built a large residence and also a comfortable stone barn. Nizer and a wife and two grown daughters, who were very popular in the neighborhood, were well dressed and appeared often in the best society of the community. Everything seemed to be moving along smoothly with the Nizers, and they had the reputation of being well-to-do and prosperous. Some time during the year 1882 Henry Nizer, for some unknown reason and to the surprise of his old neighbors and acquaintances, sold his farm and stock for \$70,000 and departed for Kansas. His two daughters came to Omaha, where they now reside, one of them having married well and the other living with her married sister.

The other day a gentleman who is well acquainted in Columbus happened in at the principal bank in that city and in friendly conversation with the cashier happened to ask what had become of the Nizers. The cashier answered that they were some place in Nebraska but that he could not state where. He added that Nizer had \$30,000 in the bank and was very rich. The gentleman then asked the cashier to tell him where Nizer was, and the cashier answered that he had not drawn for a considerable time. The gentleman to whom the cashier imparted this information had occasion a little later on to go to Clara in Merrick county, not many miles west of Columbus. He was destined to an auction of stock which was to take place at Nizer's place. He was of the opinion that Nizer was in the neighborhood, and at that time he recognized his old acquaintance Henry Nizer. Greeting him, he was surprised at the refusal of the old German to recognize him. 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